

SENATOR CARSTENS: First of all this is quite a massive bill or could be and I am kind of interested in what is the definition of child care? What are we talking about, who sets the standards, the means and the limits?

SENATOR KELLY: This would be set by the state welfare department in conjunction with the federal regulations of the money that would be used.

SENATOR CARSTENS: Alright then, there are some 200,000 children eligible for this, in the state which has a population of one and a half million about. In other words what we are talking about is practically every child in the state is eligible for this isn't it?

SENATOR KELLY: These figures are a little bit misleading, I believe that the 200,000 this figure, those children in those age groups, they are not the ADC children. That is not the figure for the ADC children.

SENATOR CARSTENS: That is what I am trying to find out, who is?

SENATOR KELLY: I don't know what that figure is but it would be as a guess down in the neighborhood of around 60,000, 60 to 80 thousand 3 to 4% of those people.

SENATOR CARPENTER: If I can intervene here, in any case, the number of children would be regulated by the amount of money available. As I understand it, the welfare department now has about a million and a half to two million dollars available for this particular purpose from the federal government, that they are not now being able to match. This survey of course showed the element of course which is as Senator Carstens said we couldn't do that. Nobody wants to do it but it will be done if this bill is being passed to the extent that the money is available to do it by the funds that are not now being matched by the Federal Government.

SENATOR CARSTENS: Is this health care? Or all kinds of care?

SENATOR CARPENTER: What it is Senator as an illustration, let's say that a woman on welfare, ADC, might want to go to work. Because of the fact that she is pretty well confined to the house and the cost of baby sitters is more than what she would make. These day care centers would be set up to the extent that the money is available and the lady would be charged a nominal if I recall somewhere about a \$1.00 to \$1.50 a day per child. This would be probably within her ability to go to work. Now the thing that impresses me is that it does two things. It gives those people the chance to go to work if they want to, and the other thing I think that it does which is just as important it gives the woman a chance to get out of the drugery that she is confronted with day after day 365 days a year which from the standpoint of those things that I have observed, would certainly do her no harm in getting away from it temporarily. Now this day care would be available either on half days or

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